ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Provided is an organic electroluminescent device in which an organic thin film layer comprising a single layer or plural layers comprising a phosphorescence light-emitting layer containing at least a host material and a phosphorescent organic metal complex is interposed between a cathode and an anode, wherein the total of the halogen element mass concentrations of bromine, iodine and chlorine which are contained as impurities in the host material constituting the light-emitting layer described above is 50 ppm or less. It has a high emission luminance, a high luminous efficiency and a long life.